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Library of Congress Implements UNIMARC

The Library of Congress has announced the availability of its machine-readable catalog records in UNIMARC, the international exchange format developed by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA). All major Library of Congress MARC distribution services, including Books, Serials, Music, Visual Materials, and Maps will now be available in UNIMARC, as well as in the standard USMARC format. Foreign libraries and bibliographical agencies are expected to be the chief users of this new option.

Conceived as a tool for simplifying the exchange and distribution of machine-readable records among agencies using disparate and incompatible national MARC formats, UNIMARC was developed for the purpose of furthering the IFLA program of Universal Bibliographic Control (UBC). It has been developed under the sponsorship of the IFLA committees on Cataloguing and Mechanization, now called the sections on Cataloguing and Information Technology, and was first published in 1977, with a second edition issued in 1980.

The implementation of UNIMARC will ultimately allow national bibliographic agencies wishing to exchange records internationally to maintain only two format conversion programs—one from the national format into UNIMARC, and one from UNIMARC back into the national format—rather than a separate conversion program for each different national MARC format received. UNIMARC thus makes possible cost savings and increased efficiency in the sharing of bibliographic data internationally.

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signals the completion of the first phase of a two-year joint effort by the Cataloging Distribution Service with the Network Development and MARC Standards Office. The next phase is the development and implementation of the Library's second UNIMARC conversion program, from UNIMARC back into the American USMARC format. This will allow the Library to make use of the records of other national bibliographic agencies for the purpose of shared cataloging. This second program is scheduled for completion by the autumn of 1985.

Questions concerning the price and availability of the Library of Congress MARC distribution services in the UNIMARC format should be directed to: Customer Services Section, Cataloging Distribution Service, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20541.

Membership of 1985 Acquisitions Committee Is Announced

John Finzi, chairman of the Library of Congress Acquisitions Committee, has announced the composition of the committee for calendar year 1985.

The Acquisitions Committee is responsible for assuring that the Library's acquisitions and selection policies meet the research and reference needs of the Library; reviewing new and revised acquisitions policy statements for the approval of The Deputy Librarian; advising on plans for the development and refinement of the Library's collections, and allocation of book funds. The committee meets several times a year.

The members for 1985 are as follows:

Ex officio members: John Finzi, director, Collections Development Office (chairman); Robert Sullivan, director for Acquisitions and Overseas Operations, Processing Services (vice chairman); Jean Metz, selection officer, Collections Development Office; Peter Sparks, director, Preservation Office; Peter Bridge, chief, Exchange and Gift Division; and Michael Albin, chief, Order Division.

Departmental representatives nominated by department officials and appointed by The Deputy Librarian for a two-year term: Jack McDonald, chief, Library Services Division, Congressional Research Service; Ann Hallstein, chief, Records Management Division, Copyright Office; Tao-Tai Hsia, chief, Far Eastern Law Division, Law Library; Julian Witherell, chief, African and Middle Eastern Division, Area Studies, Research Services; Steven Herman, chief, Collections Management Division, General Reference, Research Services; and Renata Shaw, assistant chief, Prints and Photographs Division, Special Collections, Research Services.

Non-voting members nominated by the Committee and appointed by The Deputy Librarian for a two-year term: Elizabeth Auman, head, Acquisitions and Processing Section, Music Division; and Julienne Wood, supervisor, Copyright Acquisitions Unit, Acquisitions and Processing Division, Copyright Office.

Federal Highway Administration Adopts Standard Sign for Libraries

The Federal Highway Administration has adopted a sign, bearing a stylized person reading a book, as

a standard road marker for libraries. The design, first championed by the American Library Association (ALA) at its annual conference in 1982, will appear in white on a green background. For the first four years, until the symbol's meaning becomes commonly known, the word "library" will also be required to accompany the sign. *(Continued on p. 91)*

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STAFF NEWS

Library Selects Interns for 1985–86

The Library of Congress selected 12 candidates in April for the 1985–86 Intern Program. Fifty-nine candidates from 34 graduate library schools and 34 Library of Congress staff members competed this year for the program. The purpose of the Intern Program is to maintain the leadership of the Library and its high standard of service to the Congress and the nation by continually recruiting and developing highly qualified individuals who have the demonstrated ability, interest, and potential for making significant professional contributions to the Library.

Those selected for the Intern Program will participate in a 20-week comprehensive program of seminars, rotational work assignments, and tours beginning on September 9. The participants in the 1985–86 Intern Program, whose names and library schools or divisions appear below, constitute the 33rd class of interns in the Library of Congress since the program began in 1949–50.

From the Library Staff

Jane Englund	Federal Research Division
Joseph Keenan	Photoduplication Service
Elizabeth Maloney	Position Classification and Organization Office
Rebecca Mazur	Library Services Division

The Chinese saucer magnolia and the Japanese cherry trees flowering on the grounds of the Library's Jefferson Building are official signs of spring. Thanks to the grounds workers, the green lawns and colorful plantings provide pleasant surroundings for the Library staff members, Capitol Hill workers, and visitors who appreciate days of sunshine on the grass.

Frederick Protopappas	Descriptive Cataloging Division
Karen Wood	Serial and Government Publications Division

From the Library Schools

Gary Burguera	Louisiana State University
Melissa Flannery	Catholic University
Laura Kells	Rutgers University
Wanda Redmond	Atlanta University
Michelle Springer	University of California at Los Angeles
Eleanor Uhlinger	University of Washington

Government-wide Rally Launches 1985 Savings Bonds Campaign

At the Government-wide rally on February 21 to launch the 1985 Savings Bonds Campaign, Paul S. Wallace (above right), vice chair of the Library's drive, met Jamie Farr (left), honorary chairman of the campaign and star of the popular television series M*A*S*H. To Mr. Farr's left is Margaret M. Heckler, the Federal Interagency Savings Bonds chairwoman and Secretary of Health and Human Services, and Katherine D. Ortega, Treasurer of the United States. The theme for this year's campaign is "Take High Interest in Your Collections: Buy U.S. Savings Bonds."

Joyce D. McLean Receives 25-Year Pin

Joyce D. McLean, a research production assistant in the Environment and Natural Resources Policy Division, was presented a 25-year Federal Service Award

David E. Gushee, chief of the Environment and Natural Resources Policy Division; Joyce D. McLean; and Gilbert Gude

pin on March 15 by Gilbert Gude, director of the Congressional Research Service.

Mrs. McLean began her Federal service career as a clerk typist in January 1959 with the U.S. Department of Health, Education, and Welfare. She has also worked with the Naval Ordnance Plant in Indian Head, Md., and with the Food Stamp Office of the U.S. Department of Agriculture in La Plata, Md.

Mrs. McLean came to the Library of Congress in October 1967 as an editorial clerk typist with the General Reference and Bibliography Division. Since that time she has received several promotions and has worked in several divisions of the Library. She was promoted to the position of research assistant in the General Reference and Bibliography Division in March 1968. In February 1969, she was promoted to assistant secretary in the former Division for the Blind and Physically Handicapped. In May 1972, Mrs. McLean returned to the General Reference and Bibliography Division to become its administrative secretary. In March 1977, she was promoted to her present position in the Environment and Natural Resources Policy Division. Her supervisors have recognized her performance by awarding her a quality increase in 1975, by promoting her to a higher level of responsibility in her position in 1977, and by recommending her for an outstanding performance rating in 1983.

Mrs. McLean is a graduate of Spingarn Senior High School and the University of the District of Columbia.

Credit Union Holds Annual Meeting

The Library of Congress Federal Credit Union held its 50th annual meeting on March 6 in the Coolidge

Auditorium. Reports presented by Peter Watters, president of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union, and the Credit and Supervisory Committees depicted the Credit Union's activity and success.

The Library of Congress Federal Credit Union now has assets in excess of $12.5 million and 4,535 members. At the present, loans outstanding at the Credit Union exceed $9.2 million. The Credit Union's total loans to its members over the past 50 years exceed $64 million.

At the meeting attended by some 300 members, the District of Columbia Credit Union League and the Credit Union National Administration presented a plaque to Mr. Watters in recognition of the Credit Union's successful completion of 50 years of continuous service to Library employees.

The Credit Union is a full-service financial organization that provides share accounts (savings), certificates of deposit, share draft (checking), and individual retirement accounts, all of which pay above current market rates of interest. The Credit Union also makes available to its members numerous loan programs that range from unsecured loans to second mortages.

The officials and staff members of the Library of Congress Federal Credit Union encourage all employees to become members and use its many services. These can be utilized when a staff member opens a share account with a minimum deposit of $250.

LCPA Special Interest Groups Plan May Meetings

The Special Interest Groups (SIGs) of the Library of Congress Professional Association have planned the following meetings for May. All meetings are strictly held to one-half hour, from 12:10 to 12:40 p.m., with the exception of the Foreign Area Studies SIG which meets from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon, so that staff members may attend them on their lunch periods. The meetings are informal, and eating lunch during them is encouraged.

On Tuesday, May 7, the Special Interest Group on Ethnic Resources at the Library of Congress will meet in LM 403 (Copyright Office Conference Room). Sime Letina of the Shared Cataloging Division will speak on "Croation Heritage in the United States."

Also on Tuesday, May 7, the Special Interest Group on Library Science will meet in LM 642 (Processing Services large Conference Room) to hear Cynthia J. Johanson address the issue "Librarians and Pay Equity." Ms. Johanson will also discuss other ALA-related concerns from her vantage point as an ALA Council member.

On Tuesday, May 14, the Special Interest Group on Foreign Area Studies will meet in LM 642 (Processing Services large Conference Room) from 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon. Irene Steckler of the Federal Research Division will present an introduction to Joseph Brodsky and his Biblical poetry.

On Wednesday, May 15, the Special Interest Group on the History of the Library of Congress will meet in LM 605 (National Programs Conference Room) for a discussion on "The Library of Congress and World War II."

On Tuesday, May 21, the Special Interest Group on Special Collections in the Library of Congress will meet in LM 642 (Processing Services large Conference Room). Staff members are invited to bring suggestions for possible programs.

On Tuesday, May 28, the Special Interest Group on American Studies will meet in LM 642 (Processing Services large Conference Room) to hear Leonard Beck of the Rare Book and Special Collections Division discuss the Library of Congress cookbook collection.

Also on Tuesday, May 28, the Special Interest Group for Managers will meet in LM 403 (Copyright Office Conference Room). Margaret Cox, assistant counsel for personnel in the Personnel and Labor Relations Office, will discuss adverse action procedures.

Staff Training and Development Office Offers Career Development Seminar

"Tips on Presenting an Effective Application for Employment" will be the topic of a career development seminar to be held at 10 a.m. on Thursday, May 9, in the Mumford Room (LM 649). Tyrone Mason, the assistant recruitment and placement officer in the Recruitment and Placement Office will conduct the program. Staff members will be permitted to attend the seminar on official time, workload permitting, with prior approval of their supervisors. An interpreter for the hearing impaired will be provided upon request. Olga Padilla, ext. 76348, is coordinator for this program.

Staff Activities

On March 2, **Beverly W. Brannan,** curator of documentary photographs in the Prints and Photographs Division, spoke in Richmond, Ky., at the Eastern Kentucky University conference on "Kentucky in the 1930s." Her talk, which was about the Farm Security Administration photographs of the state taken as part of a national survey between 1935 and 1943,

grew out of her work on the photography exhibition, "Things As They Were," that she prepared in 1984 for the University of Louisville. The images, with captions quoting from the photographers' field notes on their experiences, have been made into a traveling exhibition. Under the sponsorship of the Historical Federation of Kentucky, the exhibition is now scheduled to travel to 20 locations over the next two years.

Deta S. Davis, a cataloger in the Descriptive Cataloging Division, presented a paper entitled "Computer Applications in Music" during the Music Library and Technology session at the 54th Annual Meeting of the Music Library Association held in Louisville, Ky., on March 7. During this same meeting, Ms. Davis also delivered a presentation on her forthcoming book *Computer Applications in Music: A Bibliography* at the Bibliography Round Table.

Andrew M. Modelski, head of the Acquisitions Unit in the Geography and Map Division, was guest at a dinner meeting of the National Transportation Research Forum's Book and Library Club/Service on March 27. The event included an illustrated discussion of Mr. Modelski's research, that traced the history of the development of railroad surveying and cartography in North America, that resulted in the Library's 1984 atlas publication *Railroad Maps of North America: The First 100 Years.* This book by Mr. Molelski recently won a Federal Design Achievement Award and a merit award in the 35th annual exhibit of the Art Director's Club of Metropolitan Washington.

James B. Hardin, editor in the Publishing Office and the general editor of Mr. Modelski's book, selected the illustrations from the collections of the Prints and Photographs Division and provided additional comments on the technical production of the work.

John A. Wolter, chief of the Geography and Map Division, received an American Congress on Surveying and Mapping Presidential Citation on March 13 at the 45th annual meeting of ACSM held in Washington, D.C. The award recognizes Mr. Wolter's outstanding services to ACSM and to the surveying and mapping profession.

WRA Choral Society Begins Rehearsals

The WRA Choral Society has begun preparing for a Rodgers and Hammerstein concert to be presented in the Coolidge Auditorium in mid-June. Rehearsals are at noon on Tuesdays and Thursdays in the subbasement of the James Madison Memorial Building, LM S02. Interested staff members should contact Leo Anderson, ext. 77831, or Dorothy Zeiset, ext. 75705. Choral Society officers for 1985 are Leo Anderson of the Descriptive Cataloging Division, president; David Meisler of the MARC Editorial Division, vice president; Cheryl Mitchell of the Subject Cataloging Division, secretary-treasurer; Anita Rogers and Alma Edwards of the Acquisitions and Processing Division, librarians; and Georgiana Van Syckle of the Cataloging Division, activities chairperson. Dorothy Zeiset of the Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division, continues to serve as director of music.

Personnel Changes

Appointments: Mary Bahus, sales shop manager, GS-9, Inf, 50030; Mark Lewis, research analyst, FRD, GS-7, 40123; Ann Shore, secretary, GS-7, CDS, 50155; Laurence Weil, information specialist, GS-7, Cop Inf & Ref, 40922.

Temporary Appointments: Fay Douglas, clerk, GS-4, CRS ARS, NP; Shirley Kozlowski, secretary, GS-7, NLS/BPH, NP; Thomas Woodruff, clerk, GS-4, CRS C, NP.

Reappointment: Eileen John, library technician, GS-5, CRS L, NP.

Promotions: James Gentner, to supervisory librarian, GS-13, Ser Rec, 40985; Robert Moore, to computer operator, GS-8, CDS, 50100; Howard Wiles, to computer system analyst, GS-13, ASO, 40951.

Resignations: Esther Bell-Watson, Cop Exam; Jacqueline LeClerc, Photodup; Lani Malysa, CRS EPW; Sherry Otis, Ord; Madeline Seidner, CRS S; Harry Wrenn, CRS F.

Staff Carpool Locator

John F. Price of the Science and Technology Division, ext. 75664, is seeking a driver for a carpool coming from Bowie, Md., on a schedule from 7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m.

David Pullman of the Cataloging Division, ext. 78100, is seeking a driver/rider for a carpool coming from the McLean/North Arlington, Va., area. Current members are on a flexitime schedule, arriving at approximately 7:15 a.m.

Karol Redfern of the Collections Development Office, ext. 77050, is seeking a carpool from the Burke/Kings Park/Twinbrook, Va., area. She prefers to share driving as necessary and is on a flexitime schedule from 7:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Sign *(Continued from p. 90)*

The white on blue color scheme originally backed by ALA was not accepted by the Federal Highway Administration because those colors are reserved for necessary trip service notices (food, rest areas, etc.) and for telephone and hospital services that would aid in emergencies. Instead, the library signs will be featured in the green and white "general information" colors that are standard Federal Highway Administration usage. Use of the symbol in blue and white for literature and non-highway promotion is still acceptable.

The new sign will be included in the *Manual on Uniform Traffic Control Devices* published by the Federal Highway Administration, and is considered officially approved as of July 22, 1985. Libraries interested in obtaining further information about having the sign installed should contact the city, county, or state highway agency having jurisdiction over the road on which their premises are located.

The sign was originally designed by Ralph Devore, who first developed it for use in the Western Maryland Public Libraries. In a statement acknowledging the designer, the chair of the ALA Library Symbol Implementation Committee, Bob Garen of the Detroit Public Library, also recognized the important role of Elizabeth W. Stone, ALA president from 1981-82, who made the sign's adoption one of the goals of her presidency.

Library and ALA Sponsor Hands-On Preservation Workshop

The American Library Association, Resources and Technical Services Division, and the Library of Congress National Preservation Program Office, are jointly sponsoring the workshop, "Library Preservation: Fundamental Techniques," at Stanford University from August 26–30. The conference is the first of its kind to offer hands-on experience (seven sessions) covering preservation techniques such as book repair and protective enclosures, in addition to three sessions on managerial aspects of conservation, plus five papers on general topics such as commercial library binding and paper deterioration.

Ten experienced instructors will present the conference, including nationally known conservators and preservation administrators. The hands-on sessions and the techniques will be videotaped so participants can borrow one of the multiple copies of the videotape as an instructional aid in teaching others at their own libraries what they have learned at the conference.

The five-day conference is the third in a series, the first having been held in Washington, D.C., April 1983, and the second in St. Louis, in April 1984. The earlier conferences investigated library preservation problems, responsibilities, and planning for upgrading and expanding in-house programs but did not offer hands-on sessions.

The 1985 conference will fill a critical need for training library staff in sound repair techniques and basic conservation of non-rare materials. It has been designed for those library staff members who are responsible for repair of library materials, but have had no formal training. The quantity of required equipment and materials, supplied to participants, will be minimal as the aim of the training program is to teach skills that can be used conveniently in libraries that do not have sophisticated repair shops or binderies.

The cost of conference registration, travel, and expenses for five days is expected to be $800–$1,000 per participant. Contact: ALA, Resources and Technical Services Division, 50 East Huron Street, Chicago, IL 60611.

Curriculum Outlined for Federal Library Resources Institute

The 13th annual Institute on Federal Library Resources, sponsored by the School of Library and Information Science, The Catholic University of America, will be held in Washington, D.C., July 22–August 2, 1985.

Frank Kurt Cylke, the Institute's academic director (and director of the National Library Service for the Blind and Physically Handicapped), listed the aims of its curriculum: (1) to identify the role of federal libraries, information centers, and data bases in the federal library community; (2) to discuss the relationship between federal libraries and the National Commission on Libraries and Information Science; (3) to identify resources, publications, and specialized services provided by federal libraries; (4) to identify resources available through major government clearinghouses, such as National Technical Information Service (NTIS), Educational Resources Information Center (ERIC), and Defense Technical Information Center (DTIC); (5) to compare the in-operation or the in-process development of the major federal library and information services; (6) to discuss the implications for libraries of existing satellite technology; and (7) to identify and articulate the functions performed by the Federal Library and Information Center Committee.

Twenty-five directors of federal information programs and several membership association representatives will address the participants in the Institute.

Information regarding the Institute may be obtained by contacting the School of Library and Information Science, The Catholic University of America, Washington, DC 20064.

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Monday, May 6

☐ Poets and Anthologists: A Look at the Current Poet-Packaging Process, With Historical Asides," Reed Whittemore, Poetry Consultant, Library of Congress. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m.

Tuesday, May 7

☐ Fourteenth Annual Booksale. LC Professional Association. LM 139. Opens at 8:30 a.m. to contributors of books, at 9:30 a.m. to LCPA members, and at 12 noon to non-members. Closes at 5 p.m. **Staff only.**

☐ "Croatian Heritage in the U.S.," Sime Letina, Shared Cataloging Division. LC Professional Association Special Interest Group on Ethnic Resources at the Library of Congress. LM 403, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

☐ "Librarians and Pay Equity," Cynthia J. Johanson, head, Shelflisting Section, Subject Cataloging Division. LC Professional Association Special Interest Group on Library Science. LM 642, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

Wednesday, May 8

☐ Larry Snitzler, guitarist. Inter-American Music Festival. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m. Free. For ticket information, call (202) 287-5502.

Friday, May 10

☐ The Tremont String Quartet premieres a piece by James Willey in a program including works by Marc-Antonio Consoli and George Whitefield Chadwick. The Festival of American Chamber Music. Coolidge Auditorium. Free. Tickets available from the preceding Monday, call (202) 287-5502.

Tuesday, May 14

☐ "An Introduction to Joseph Brodsky and his Biblical Poetry," Irene Steckler, Federal Research Division. Special Interest Group on Foreign Area Studies (Soviet/Eastern European Section). LC Professional Association. LM 642, 11:30 a.m. to 12 noon. **For members and staff.**

Wednesday, May 15

☐ "The Library of Congress and World War II," a discussion. Special Interest Group on the History of the Library of Congress. LC Professional Association. Room LM 605, 12:10 to 12:40 p.m. **For members and staff.**

☐ "Government Information on Magnetic Media, Available from the National Technical Information Service," Walter L. Finch, director, Office of Product Management, NTIS. Information Science and Technology Council Luncheon. Room LM 621, 11:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., with lunch for $9. Lecture only, beginning at 12:45 p.m., is free. For more information, call Emil Levine, (202) 633-1479.

Friday, May 17

☐ The Theater Chamber Players of Kennedy Center, Leon Fleisher and Dina Koston, directors. The Festival of American Chamber Music. Coolidge Auditorium. Free. Tickets available from the preceding Monday, call (202) 287-5502.

The Mary Pickford Theater

Current ongoing series are **Washington Film Reviewers** (May 7, 13); **From Silence to Sound, 1923-1930** (May 9, 10); **American Screenwriters** (May 3, 15); and **Movies for Children** (May 11). To make phone reservations, no earlier than one week preceding a screening, call (202) 287-5677, Monday through Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Standbys are admitted 10 minutes before a show to take unclaimed seats. Seating is limited to 64.

Events are open to the public unless otherwise specified.

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